ELIZABETH WELLONS.

January 14, 1897.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. STALLINGS, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany H. R. 8898.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 8898) mcreasing the pension of Elizabeth Wellons, have considered the same and report:

The claimant is the widow of William S. Wellons, who served as a private in the North Carolina Volunteers from September 24, 1814, to February 5, 1815, in the war of 1812.

Mrs. Wellons is now receiving the pension of \$12 per month provided by the general laws for the widows of soldiers of the war of 1812. She is 80 years old, and in exceedingly feeble health. Aside from her pension she has no property save a little farm which does not produce an income to exceed \$25 per annum.

The facts are shown by the papers on file at the Pension Bureau and by the affidavit of John H. Hodges and Z. Sims, citizens of Houston County, Ga.

There are several precedents for the proposed legislation, and in view of the claimant's great age and necessities the passage of the bill is respectfully recommended.